

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names;

we believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

## METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR NOTIFYING MAIL USERS OF MAIL PIECE CONTAMINATION

described and claimed in the attached specification;

we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims;

we acknowledge our duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information knowr to us to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56; and

we do not know and do not believe the invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, that the invention was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on any application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application, and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by us or our legal representatives or assigns.

We hereby appoint practitioners at Customer Number 00919

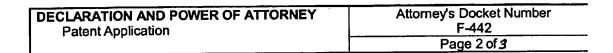
00919

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith;

Additionally, we hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith;

George M. Macdonald David E. Pitchenik Robert E. Meyer Reg. No. 39,284 Reg. No. 24,020 Reg. No. 26,307



Address all telephone calls to George M. Macdonald at telephone No.: (203) 924-3180.

Address all correspondence to:

George M. Macdonald Pitney Bowes Inc. Intellectual Property and Technology Law Department

35 Waterview Drive P.O. Box 3000 Shelton, CT 06484

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

First

Full Name	Last Cordery	Robert		A.	
Residence & Citizenship	City Danbury		State CT	Citizenship USA	
Post Office Address	Street Address 11 1/2 Jeanette Street	City Danbury	State CT	Zip Code 06811	
Signature of Inventor			Date 12/19/2001		
FULL NAME Last First Middle					
FULL NAME	Last Russo	Karin		Α	
Residence & Citizenship	City Redding		State CT	USA	
Post Office Address	Street Address 49 Great Oak Lane	City Redding	State	Zip Code 06896	
Signature of Inventor				Date	
DEA KILL				12/19/2001	

Middle

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY Patent Application			Attomey's Docket Number F-442 Page 3 of 3		
Residence & Citizenship	City Weston	State CT	Citizenship USA		
Post Office Address	Street Address 4 Trails End Road	City Weston	State CT	Zip Code 06883	
Signature of Inventor P. Sanda			Date   12/2	Date 12/19/2001	